Alberta / Athabasca
Desired for settlement 1923

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MAP OF ATHABASKA DISTRICT
PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

Scale 4 miles to an inch.

CLASSIFICATION OF LANDS BY QUARTER-SECTIONS
FOR SETTLEMENT PURPOSES
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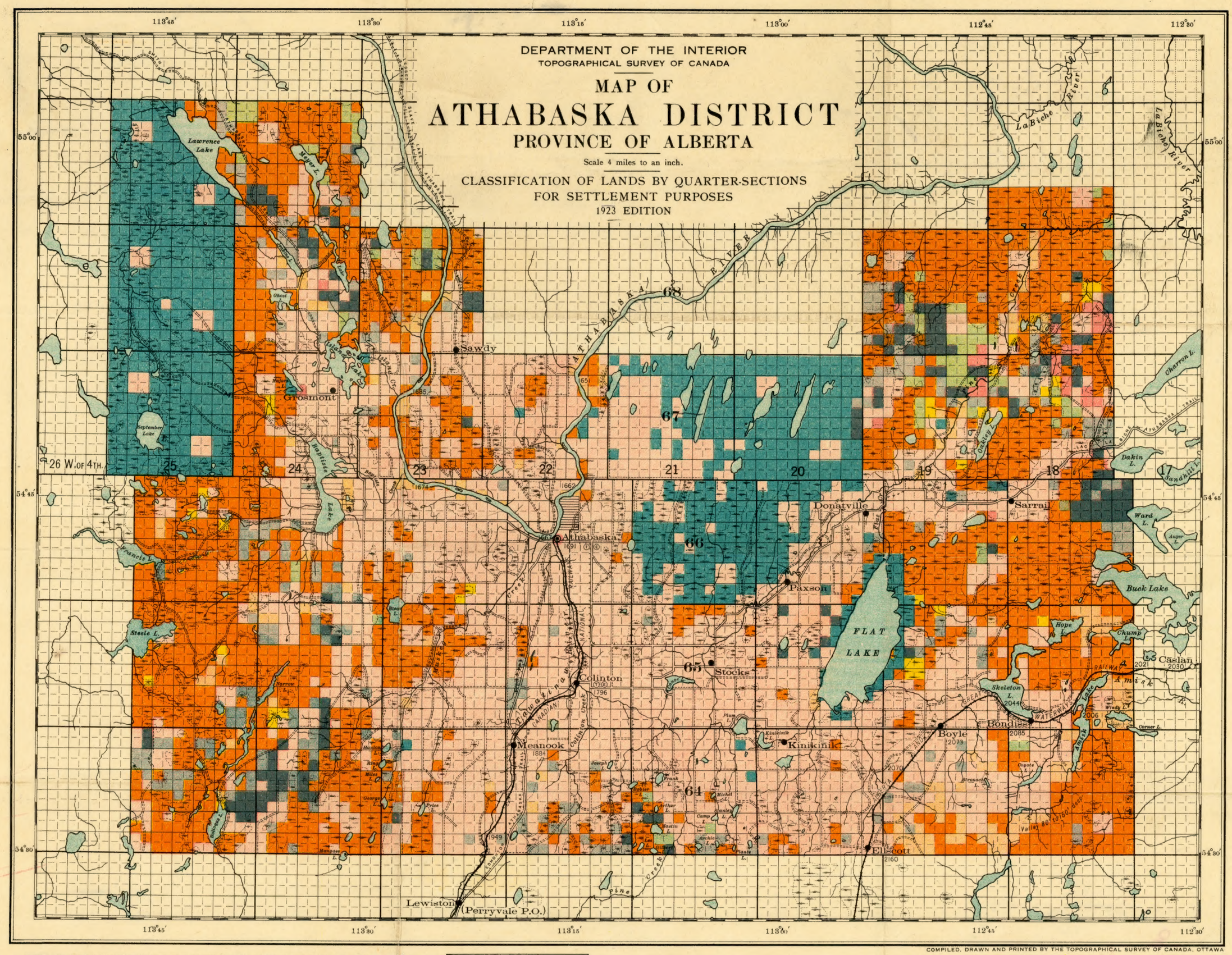

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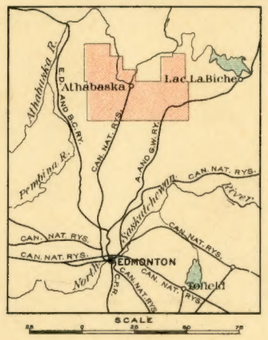
NOTE—The lands indicated on this map were classified after careful field investigation, the *primary purpose* being to save the prospective settler time and effort in searching over more or less worthless areas and to assist him in locating those which are more promising. It is *not* intended that the map be used to make a final selection. As the responsibility for such a choice rests entirely with the settler himself, he should personally inspect the quarter-sections that particularly interest him, before deciding on his location.

Information regarding the soil, timber and the general character of the quarter-sections is on file at the local Dominion Lands Office for each district.

Copies of this map may be obtained at the local land offices and from the Land Classification Division of the Topographical Survey of Canada, Ottawa.

CONVENTIONAL SIGNS

- Main through roads
- Secondary roads
- Railroad
- Town or Village, population over 300
- Post Office
- Railway Station
- Railway Station and Post Office
- Telegraph Office
- Elevator
- Telegraph or Telephone line
- Dominion Lands Agency
- River 3 chains wide or over
- River, creek, brook, under 3 chains
- Elevations (in feet above mean sea level) ... 2070



LEGEND

LANDS NOT OPEN FOR HOMESTEAD ENTRY

Patented, homesteaded, leased lands, or school lands

Lands for which application for lease has been made, or lands otherwise provisionally reserved

LANDS SUITABLE FOR IMMEDIATE SETTLEMENT

Lands having good soil and with a considerable portion ready for breaking with very little clearing

LANDS OFFERING INDUCEMENTS FOR SETTLEMENT BUT HAVING IMPORTANT DEFECTS

Lands of which a considerable portion can be easily brought under cultivation but with soil which may be partially damaged by fire, or which may contain too much sand, or the surface of which may be rough, broken, or partially cut up by swamps. Quarter-sections of this class are often satisfactory to settlers who do not demand the full area of cultivable land

LANDS WHICH CAN BE ECONOMICALLY IMPROVED

Lands with good soil, lightly timbered, and requiring some clearing to prepare them for breaking

LANDS REQUIRING EXTENSIVE IMPROVEMENT

Lands with good soil, covered with large trees, ordinarily poplar, or very dense stands of smaller trees, the cost of clearing and improvement of which is high

HAY MEADOWS

Quarter-sections on which, with a small amount of improvement, at least twenty tons of wild hay of good quality can be cut

NON-ARABLE LANDS

(*a*)—Open or semi-open lands with inferior soil or with the surface too hilly and rough for cultivation, but with sufficient grass to provide summer pasture. Of value for grazing purposes when adjoining settled lands

(*b*)—Lands in their present condition not suitable for settlement, being usually gravelly, sandy, or very wet

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